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Chalice and Chimes



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SUNDAY WORSHIP SERVICES

10:00 A.M.

March 5 *“Religion and Science: Too Precious to Part With”*

Rev. Andrew Moeller

This service will explore the interconnectedness of religion and science and how they inform the rational mind and Spirit.

March 12 *“The Trouble of Truth”*

Rev. Andrew Moeller

In follow-up to my sermon last month on the “Third Reconstruction,” I’ve had several people talk about the challenges that we often face regarding the engagement with social justice work based on the concept “A moral movement.” For instance, “what is moral?” or “who’s morals are we talking about?” To engage this topic more deeply, the service will delve into the question of what do we hold as truth and how do we move forward knowing that we are perfectly imperfect beings.

March 19 *“The Convention of Covenant”*

Rev. Andrew Moeller

We are at a cross road of what it means to be American and what it means to “be great again.” Both our country and our Unitarian Religious movement are based on the concept of covenant. The service will ask the question of what is Covenant and how does it continue to relate to our work as citizens and as a religious movement.

March 26 *“Maple Syrup Communion”*

A Lay Led Service

Our annual maple syrup communion celebrates the spring equinox and the renewal of life.

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**COMING IN
APRIL!!**

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for more
details.**



The **Spirit of Drumming** will hold it's monthly circle on Sunday, March 5, from 11:45 AM to 1:00 PM in the Sanctuary. As always, it is an open circle for all levels of ability. Kids are welcome, if they are there to drum and over the age of 10 is best. In this stressful time in our world, we find that drumming can really help relieve that stress, get out frustrations and even sadness - as well as help you center in a more joyful perspective. Bring your own drum or we have plenty to share. Hope to see you there.

Drew's Views



Dear Ones:

March brings with it the change of season from winter to spring; winter, a time for turning inward ... and spring, a time for looking outward towards new opportunities and possibilities. In moving towards the vernal equinox on March 20, I am mindful that change is a part of life and therefore inevitable. At the same time, it feels like change is unfolding lately at such a hyper rate that nothing seems to be solid or stationary, and often that rapid change leads stress, frustration, and existential despair.

As people of faith, the question is: "How do we keep moving forward when everything seems to be shifting around us?" We also ask: "What is it that we can hold onto or use as a reference point to guide us through these challenging times?" While it seems like these questions are new in our times, they are questions that have been asked by spiritual and religious people since the beginning of recorded times. The answer is that there is no definite answer. There are some who when faced with rapid change and uncertainty rush headlong into the unknown of change, and there are others who fear change and retreat into the past. In between, there are a myriad of other options as well.

In my sermon last month, I explored the wisdom of the book by the Rev. William Barber II titled "The Third Reconstruction." In that book, Barber talks about the importance of basing the core of any justice movement on the enduring spiritual and religious moral values at the center of our movement towards justice. He argues that this is the foundation of our work. It is these enduring spiritual and moral values that provide the foundation upon which we can bend the arc of the universe towards justice.

His message is reminiscent of a famous Unitarian sermon written by the Rev. Theodore Parker back in May 1841, titled the "The Transient and Permanent in Christianity." In that sermon, Parker argues that things such as doctrine and dogma are nothing more than a temporary way to try to engage the enduring truths in our time. In other words, we sometimes get so tied up in the relative and immature understanding of the moment that we lose track of the enduring truths of the great world religions that call us to love, collaborate, and be welcoming and hospitable to one another.

The answer is to not get caught up in the turbulence of the moment but instead to take the long view. This doesn't mean that we should sit idly by as others try to undo the great strides we have made in our culture around the areas of human rights, equal opportunity, and fair treatment of those who have been marginalized. What it does mean is that we need to be thoughtful and skillful in our response. If we become only reactive, we will lose our effectiveness, and we will burn ourselves out and open more room for those with whom we disagree to lead us astray.

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Drew's Views—*cont'd*

It reminds me of a technique that I learned when I first learned to steer a sailboat on open water at night. The temptation is to steer by the compass that is bouncing around and very slow to respond to the way the waves roll and pitch the boat through the water. If the helmsperson tries to keep the boat on an exact fixed course, it means that that helmsperson must work hard and constantly over correct the steering. Every time they move the rudder, it acts as a break slowing the boat down. A skillful helmsperson takes the long view; instead of focusing on the compass, they focus on a fixed point of land, such as a lighthouse or even a star on the horizon. By doing that, they are focusing on the long-term goal. The result is that they steer much less, they become less fatigued, and the boat actually sails a straighter line.

It is my belief that, if we want to be the most effective in bringing our country back on course to our ideals of equality and justice for all, we need to take the long view and concentrate on the enduring goals of equality, justice, freedom and connection to all things, and not get caught in the confusion of all the distraction that comes from tweets -- and denials -- of what to most of us see as being obvious and true.

Or as the great Zen poet, Basho, once said: "Don't be distracted by the teachings of the those who have come before. Instead seek what they sought." Let us continue to work together to bring change and protect the many changes that we have championed over the years. We have come a long way, AND we still have a long way to go.

Love and Peace to you all in your journeys and our journey together.

Namasté,

Rev. Drew



Rev. Drew's Office Schedule for March

Mondays

Minister's day off

Tuesdays

10:00 AM to 1:00 PM
(appointments & meetings)
Office hours 2:00 to 4:00 PM
(walk-in time)

Wednesdays

10:00 AM to 1:00 PM
(appointments & meetings)
Office hours 2:00 to 4:00 PM
(walk-in time)

Thursdays

Sermon writing day
(limited email & phone)

Fridays

10:00 AM to 1:00 PM
(appointments & meetings)

Saturdays

By appointment

Sundays

Worship
By appt. afternoons/evenings

Note:

March 25-27 - Rev. Drew's weekend off

March 27-April 3 - Rev. Drew will be in Portland, OR, organizing the UU Buddhist Convocation. He will be checking his cell phone for messages a couple of times a day and have limited email access.

THIS SPRING:
SAVE THE DATE!!

April 30, 2017
4:00 P.M.



The **Installation** of
our new minister,
Rev. Andrew Moeller,
followed by a reception.
More details to follow.

Membership-Fellowship News

Do You Want to Learn More About Our Chosen Faith?

We are offering our next “New to UU” or membership class in March. This time it will be offered as a two-part evening class on Wednesday March 22nd and 29th from 6:30 to 8:30 pm. In this class we will explore more about UU as a faith and our UUSB church history. You do not have to become a member after taking this class but if you are thinking about becoming a member, generally, you will need to take this class before you can join. This is a great opportunity to meet the minister and discuss any questions you might have with several members of the church. To register for this event you can sign up on the sign-up sheet on the bulletin board in the Dorothy Memorial Hall, contact the church office at 947-7009, or email the church at uubangor@gmail.com. Please note if you need childcare, if you do, please provide the names and ages of your children and let us know by March 15th. The deadline to sign up is March 19th. If you have any questions feel free to ask a member of the membership fellowship committee, we have rainbow ribbons on name button. Hope to see you there!

We need a few more volunteers to round out the hosting teams! Each team brings snacks and hosts Fellowship Hour four times per year. Please consider signing up on the Dorothy bulletin board, or let Evan Richert know (evan@richertplanning.com).



Stewardship Variety Show, which was rescheduled due to such inclement weather last month, will take place on

Sunday, March 12th at 11:30 AM in the Vestry

"The show will go on!" Don't miss it! The extra time folks have had to prepare their acts ensures it will be SUPER!

UUSB Auctions Are Coming in April!

Mark Your Calendar, and Check Your Home For Quality Items to Donate. These are our largest "Fun" draisers of the year!



The Silent Auction will kick off Sunday, April 9th, and conclude on Easter Sunday, April 16th. The Live Auction will be held on Saturday, April 15th, in the Dorothy Memorial Hall. The evening will begin at 6:00-6:30 with heavy hors d'oeuvres; then, 6:30-8:00 will be the Live Auction.

Items include: Seats at meals, services and custom-made items.

Please contact Sue McKay
suemckay@midmaine.com
with items, meals and services
you would like to donate.

Also, a Donation file will be posted on the Dorothy Memorial Hall bulletin board

2017 UU Choir Festival



**Featuring the Choirs of
UU Society of Bangor
and several other
Maine UU Church Choirs**

Sunday, March 26, 2017, 5:30 PM
UU Society of Bangor
120 Park St., Bangor, ME 04401
207-947-7009

Free and Open to the Public

What's Happening in RE?

The 6-8th grade class, *Building Bridges*, has been busy learning about and visiting many different faith communities this fall! We have studied Indigenous Faiths, Hinduism, Judaism, and had a great visit to Congregation Beth El with Rabbi Lerner. We learned about Evangelical Christianity and had a rockin' time at the Rock Church--the youth loved the music, popcorn and movies integrated into the service, plus they witnessed an adult baptism, full body immersion! We also studied the Protestant Reformation, Catholicism, and went to St. John's Catholic Church for Sunday Mass (very different from the Rock Church!). In January, we learned about Islam and had a great visit and gathering at the Orono Islamic Center. We recently learned about Neo-Paganism and Humanism and, on Feb 26th, we will be attending a Quaker meeting in Belfast. The youth are engaged and inquisitive—it is turning out to be an eye-opening experience for all, including the teachers!

~ *Connie McVey, Ben Goff, Brenda Bywater and Rob Spreng (6-8 Grade Teachers)*

Thank you so much. . .to all who have participated in the can and bottle returns through **Clynks**, to help fund our youth headed to Guatemala with Safe Passage! We are in the final fundraising push for this July 2017 trip. We've earned \$1200 through Clynks so far, but still hope to reach our \$1500 goal. So, please be sure to remember us while spring cleaning. Contact Laura Santilli (laurabngr@aol.com) with questions or needs for assistance.



Looking Ahead in RE

Youth Membership Class ~ March 5 & 12, 2017

We are excited to be offering our Youth Group the opportunity to take UUSB's Membership class during their regular RE Class. In order to officially join, one must attend both classes. This is a no obligation workshop, youth may participate in the membership classes without actually joining the church.

The annual **Religious Education Pool Party** will take place March 11th, 5:30-7:30 PM, at the Lura Hoit Pool in Hampden for swimming and pizza. We'll meet there and swim the first hour, then feast on pizza and snacks at 6:30 PM. Please RSVP to Connie McVey by March 4th. Please bring a snack to share. We'll collect a small donation to cover the cost of the pizza from Winterport Pizza.

RE Open House ~ March 19, 2017

We will have Coffee Hour in the RE area and Vestry. Please take this opportunity to meet with our RE teachers and check out our classrooms to see what our youth have been up to this year!

Mark you calendar: April 1st is the date of the Annual Regional **RE Tween Sleep-Over** event, for UU kids ages 9-13, being held in Ellsworth this year. There is a \$10 fee to cover food. Additional details are forthcoming. Any questions, contact our DRE, Karen Childs.

DID YOU KNOW? Registration for **Ferry Beach Camps** is open!

2017 Summer **Youth Camps:** Week 1, Sun., 6/25 - Sat. 7/1; Week 2, Sat. 7/1 - Sat. 7/8. 2017 **Family Camps:** Eco Spirit Week, July 22-29; Family & Friends Week, July 29-Aug. 5. When using the online registration, please choose "UUSB" is the payment method. While it will show that your registration is 'incomplete,' don't be concerned; you will receive a confirmation email from Ferry Beach. If you have any questions or concerns, please call Sally Ring at Ferry Beach ([207-282-4489](tel:207-282-4489)).

DEADLINE FOR Hersey Bequest scholarships is March 19; see DRE Karen Childs.

Social Justice Committee News

We're Working Toward Justice

Instead of trying to lay out the ABUNDANCE of actions we're involved in, I'll aim to hit the high points.

We had our Social Justice Retreat on Saturday, February 11th with 14 in attendance. Trying to get a handle on all that's going on and harnessing our passion into effective action seemed to be at the forefront of our efforts.

Creating and Sustaining an Action Network. We discussed how we can connect with other local groups that are working on some of the same social justice issues that we care about: voting rights, immigration, Standing Rock, Community Connector service, climate change, healthcare, etc., etc. One decision we made, based somewhat on the "Moral Mondays" actions discussed in our UUA book read, *The Third Reconstruction*, is to develop "Moral Minutes" that UUSB members can undertake either together (e.g., U.S. Senator visits, town meetings, rallies, letter/postcard writing after a Sunday service) or individually (e.g. phone calls to local, state and U.S. representatives). Developing a way to "get the word out" in a timely fashion is top priority. Just look at how our congregation responded to the anti-travel ban letter writing project at the Islamic Center and the rally at Bangor International Airport!

Becoming Allies in the Black Lives Matter Movement. The last discussion meeting of *Being White in the Black Lives Matter Movement* will be held on March 1st. We have been sharing both the personal and societal roadblocks and advances in becoming allies vs. liabilities in this movement. The discussions have been meaningful and eye opening. We're aiming to share some of our perspectives as part of a Sunday service and/or discussions with others in the congregation.

Upcoming Social Justice Actions/Events to Participate In:

Be on the alert for City Council meetings in Bangor and Hampden about the Community Connector.

In Bangor, there is a move by some (2, at least) councilors to move the bus depot out of Pickering Square and, as a next step, pave over the square and create a parking lot! Neither is a way to build community. We will need advocates at the meetings and also calling councilors to keep the depot where it is. *In Hampden*, there is some talk about getting rid of the Hampden bus route altogether. What a mistake that would be.

Just a few specific upcoming dates to remember:

- March 3rd – **Standing Rock Program: A Line in the Sand** (UUSB evening event)
- March 10th – **Standing Rock support marches in Washington, D.C. and nationwide**
- March 11th – **Maine UU Social Action Network (MUUSAN) bi-monthly meeting in Augusta**
- April 1st – **Islamic Center Open House**
- April 8th – **HOPE Festival, Hike for the Homeless**

Joy in Justice,

Suzanne Kelly, Social Justice Committee Chair

Other Program Reminders

Friday, March 3, 6:00 PM, at the Unitarian Universalist Society of Bangor: "**A Line in the Sand: Reflections on Standing Rock, Our Hearts, and Healing the World,**" a multimedia meditation featuring music, story and prose as an experience of the heart, presented by Molly and Shawn Mercer, Orland, Maine. Donations accepted.

CHANGE OF MEETING DATE/TIME: The **next meeting of the Social Justice Committee** is on Sunday, March 5 at 11:45 AM in the Vestry.

Sunday, April 23, 11:30 am in the UUSB Vestry, the Green Sanctuary Cmte will host a **presentation by Kati Corlew**, "**Environmental Justice IS Social Justice: Climate Change in the Islands of Tuvalu.**"

GIVING WINDS - Speaker coming 3/5 to talk to UUSB

Do you know that Maine's Native Americans living on reservations cannot get bank loans for home improvement or a mortgage to purchase a home? Their homes are on reservation land, which is community property, and which cannot be used as collateral for loans. Do you know that Maine's Native Americans cannot get credit cards, small business loans or purchase a car on credit because they do not have credit histories?

In 2001, through the efforts of leaders of the Penobscot Nation, the Maine Council of Churches, and Maine Unitarian Universalist Churches, a Giving Winds Capital Campaign was formed to empower individuals and churches to loan money to form a 501(c)(3) non-profit organization that would act as a bank for Maine's Native Americans. This organization became the Four Directions Development Corporation (FDDC). Money loaned from UU churches was doubled by the UUA and doubled again by the U.S. Government. This seed money was loaned to Maine's Native Americans. As of 2011, 133 housing loans of \$6.4 million had been made with *no* losses.

UUSB has been involved with Giving Winds since 2006. Individuals and the Social Justice Committee have loaned \$8,000 to the FDDC. At five-year intervals our loan matures and at that time loaners can withdraw their money, roll it over into a new loan, or donate it to the FDDC.

Would you like to help the five Native American tribes in Maine reduce their poverty through their development of personal financial assets? UUSB's loan to the FDDC will mature on February 17, 2017 and at that time (or within the two month extension), you can add to our new loan. Susan Hammond, the Executive Director of the FDDC will be coming to UUSB on March 5 (meeting downstairs at 11:30) to talk about FDDC's history, its successes, and the need for expansion of services. Please consider attending.

For more information, please contact: Natalie Norton, natalienorton2@gmail.com or [207-469-2189](tel:207-469-2189)

On-going Reminders

Do you have a **CLYNK Bag**?? Be sure to have one handy, so you can easily be collecting bottles and cans to help raise money for our UU Youths' Social Justice Service Trip to Guatemala. The bags are in the Dorothy Memorial Hall. Please see Laura Santilli for details. Thank you for your support!!

Hannaford Grocery Cards--A Church Fund-raiser: Sold every Sunday during fellowship time in the Dorothy. Convenient to carry! No fees! Every card purchase helps UUSB! Cards are available in increments of \$25, \$50 or \$100. Cash, or checks made out to UUSB are accepted. Buy cards for your own grocery shopping, or buy cards for gifts, or even donate a card to a local food bank.

Buy a Bag of Equal Exchange Coffee: For each pound of fairly traded coffee, chocolate, tea, and foods Unitarians purchase through the UUSC Fair Trade Project, 20 cents per pound goes to the UUSC's Small Farmer Fund. Order your coffee at the table in the Dorothy Memorial Hall during fellowship hour on Sunday. Any questions, ask Natalie Norton.

Bangor Contra Dance

3rd Friday of Each Month

Live Music! High Energy Dancing!
Free beginners' lesson before each dance
No partner necessary



Unitarian Universalist Church
120 Park St., Bangor

\$8 per person, \$4 for ages 6-12
Dance at 8pm, beginners' session at 7:30pm

For more info call 941-9727 or visit www.bangorcontra.org

Treasurer's Report



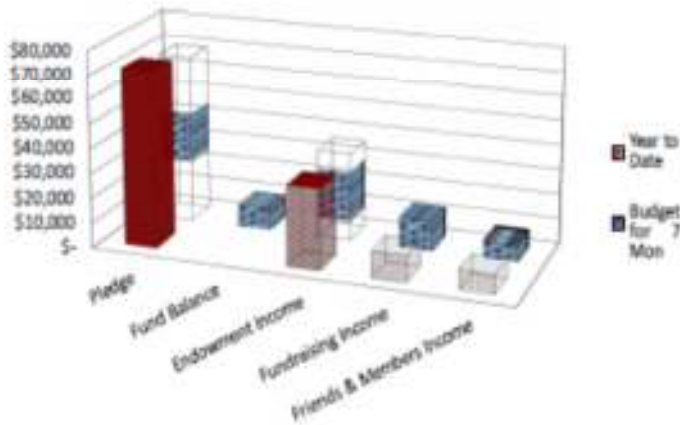
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INCOME	Year to Date	Budget for 7 Mon	% Rec'd	\$ Ahead (Behind)
Pledge	\$ 71,843	68,897	61%	2,946
Fund Balance	\$ -	8,750	0%	(8,750)
Endowment Income	32,252	35,510	53%	(3,258)
Fundraising Income	10,639	12,221	51%	(1,582)
Friends & Members Income	7,791	7,303	62%	488
Total Revenues	\$ 122,525	\$ 132,682	54%	(10,157)

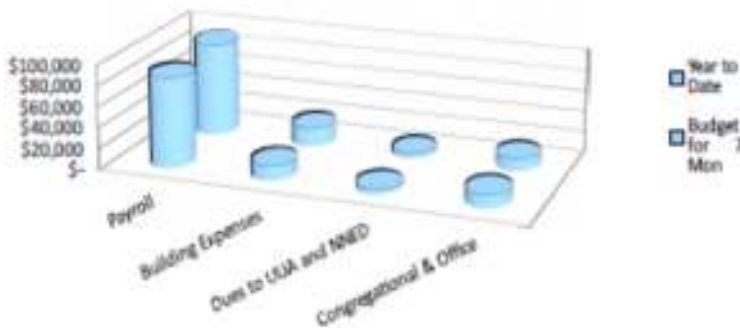
EXPENSES	Year to Date	Budget for 7 Mon	% Spent	\$ Ahead (Behind)
Payroll	\$ 88,317	92,067	56%	(3,750)
Building Expenses	16,174	19,975	47%	(3,801)
Dues to UUA and NNED	6,820	6,907	58%	(87)
Congregational & Office	14,543	13,733	62%	810
Total Expenses	\$ 125,854	\$ 132,682	55%	(6,827)

Net income for 6 month is \$ (3,329)

FY 2017 INCOME



FY 2017 EXPENSES



Special Collections Reminders

The second Sunday of the month is **Food Cupboard Collection Sunday**. Donations of non-perishables may be placed in the plastic tubs by the entrance to the sanctuary. Cash/check donations are also gratefully accepted in the collection.

On the third Sunday of the month we have a **Personal Items Collection** for the area needy taken during the service. Please give what you can—paper products, soaps and hygiene products, or money donations gratefully accepted!

Any Sunday, please consider donating to the **Bangor Homeless Shelter Laundry Fund**. Imagine only washing your clothing once a month! Please help and contribute any change (bills work too!) in the jug as you are leaving the Sanctuary on Sundays.

Thank you for your continued generosity and caring!

During the month of March, our "Half the Plate Offering"

Will be used for our food programs—bean suppers, bag lunches, soup kitchen.



Reminder:

If you use a check for anything other than your pledge, please indicate on the **check's memo line** for what your donation is intended.

Thank you.

MARCH 2017 CALENDAR

Please check the www.uubangor.org
website for calendar updates!

March 1 (Wednesday)

6:30 PM - Shawl Ministry (DM Hall)
6:30 PM - Black Lives Matter (Office)

March 2 (Thursday)

5:45 - 7:15 PM - Choir Rehearsal (Sanctuary)
7:00 - 9:00 PM - Women with Wings (Vestry)

March 3 (Friday)

12:30 PM - Knitting Group (Dorothy Mem. Hall)
6:00 PM - Presentation: "A Line in the Sand"

March 4 (Saturday)

8:00 AM-4:30 PM - Wabanaki-REACH (DM Hall)

March 5 (Sunday)

10:00 AM – Worship Service (Sanctuary)
11:00 AM – Fellowship Hour (DM Hall)
11:30 AM - Four Directions presentation (RE Rm. #1)
11:30 AM - Spirit of Drumming (Sanctuary)
11:45 AM - Pastoral Care Team (Office)
12:00 PM - Social Justice Cmte (Vestry)

March 6 (Monday)

9:00 AM - Soup Kitchen Cook'n'Serve (off-site)

March 7 (Tuesday)

10:00 AM - Sr. College Tai Chi Class (DM Hall)
6:30 PM - Meditation/Buddhist Group
7:00-10:00 PM - Coffee House/Open Mic (Vestry)

March 8 (Wednesday)

6:00 PM - Building & Grds Cmte
6:30 PM - Membership Cmte

March 9 (Thursday)

5:45 - 7:15 PM - Choir Rehearsal (Sanctuary)
7:00 - 9:00 PM - Women with Wings (Vestry)
7:15 PM - Executive Cmte. (Office)

March 10 (Friday)

10:00 AM - Budget & Finance Cmte (Office)

March 11 (Saturday)

5:30pm - RE Pool & Pizza Party (Hampden Pool)

March 12 (Sunday)

10:00 AM – Worship Service (Sanctuary)
[Food Cupboard Collection Sunday]
11:00 AM – Fellowship Hour (DM Hall)
11:30 - VARIETY SHOW hosted by UUSB
Stewardship Cmte (Vestry)

March 14 (Tuesday)

10:00 AM - Sr. College Tai Chi Class (DM Hall)
12:00 PM—Deadline for April Newsletter (Office)
7:00-10:00 PM - Coffee House/Open Mic (Vestry)

March 15 (Wednesday)

11:30 AM - AUW Guild Mtg. (DM Hall)
6:30 PM - Council Meeting (Office)

March 16 (Thursday)

5:45 - 7:15 PM - Choir Rehearsal (Sanctuary)
7:00 - 9:00 PM - Women with Wings (Vestry)
7:15 PM - Humanist Group (a member's home)

March 17 (Friday)

12:30 PM - Knitting Group (Dorothy Mem. Hall)
7:00 PM - Penobscot Contra-dancers (Vestry)

March 19 (Sunday)

10:00 AM – Worship Service (Sanctuary)
[Personal Care Items Collection Sunday]
11:00 AM – Fellowship & RE Open House Coffee

March 20 (Monday)

7:00 PM - Temple Feminine Divine (Vestry)

March 21 (Tuesday)

10:00 AM - Sr. College Tai Chi Class (DM Hall)
6:30 PM - Meditation/Buddhist Group
7:00-10:00 PM - Coffee House/Open Mic (Vestry)

March 22 (Wednesday)

9:30 AM - Staff Meeting (Minister's Office)
6:30 PM - New Member Class
7:00 PM - Worship Cmte (Minister's Office)

March 23 (Thursday)

5:45 - 7:15 PM - Choir Rehearsal (Sanctuary)
7:00 - 9:00 PM - Women with Wings (Vestry)

March 25 (Saturday)

10:00 AM - Bag Lunch Prep (DM Kitchen)
3:00 PM - Bean Supper Prep (DM Kitchen)
4:00 PM - Bean Supper Served
5:00 PM - Women with Wings (Vestry)

March 26 (Sunday)

10:00 AM – Worship Service (Sanctuary)
11:00 AM – Fellowship Hour (DM Hall)
5:00 PM - UU Choir Festival (Sanctuary)

March 28 (Tuesday)

10:00 AM - Sr. College Tai Chi Class (DM Hall)
6:00 PM - Cmte on Shared Ministry (Minister's Office)
7:00-10:00 PM - Coffee House/Open Mic (Vestry)

March 29 (Wednesday)

6:30 PM - New Member Class

March 31 (Thursday)

5:45 - 7:15 PM - Choir Rehearsal (Sanctuary)
7:00 - 9:00 PM - Women with Wings (Vestry)

ABOUT US

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Our Mission Statement

The Unitarian Universalist Society of Bangor is an historically liberal religious community, celebrating diversity and supporting spiritual growth and social responsibility in each child and adult.

A Welcoming Congregation

We welcome individuals and families of all religious upbringings, racial and ethnic backgrounds and sexual orientations. We, a member of the Unitarian Universalist Association, covenant to affirm and promote the inherent worth and dignity of every person.

A Green Sanctuary

The UU Society of Bangor, recognized as a Green Sanctuary by the Unitarian Universalist Association, endeavors to incorporate care for the Earth into its worship and religious education while working to promote environmental justice and sustainable living. We covenant to affirm and promote respect for the interdependent web of all existence, of which we are a part.



HOW TO REACH US

Secretary's Office Hours are

Tuesday through Friday, 10 AM—1 PM
The office administrator is Susan Vernal.
Office phone/voice mail: 207-947-7009.
You may email her anytime at
uubangor@gmail.com

Our Minister, The Rev. Andrew Moeller, may be reached by email at drewuu2@gmail.com or by calling the church office at 947-7009. His schedule for the month is listed on page 3 of this newsletter.

The Music Director, Nancy Lewis, may be reached by calling or emailing the church office at 947-7009 or uubangor@gmail.com

The Director of Religious Education, Karen Childs, is available by appoint; you can email her at uubangorre@gmail.com

For information on how to reach the a **Pastoral Care Team** associate, call the Church Office at (207) 947-7009 and leave message; or, call Phyllis Havens' cell 944-0181 and leave message; someone will return your call.

Church Council:

Eric Olson, Chair; Chris Packard, Vice Chair;
Rosemary Parsons, Treasurer; Michele Caitlyn-Strout, Clerk;
Charles Boothby; Valerie Carter; Catherine Foxson;
Cary Jensen; Rebecca Anderson

Council meets at 6:30 PM on the third Wednesday of each month.

About Our Newsletter

The Chalice and Chimes is published ten times a year (Sept-June). The deadline for submissions is the 14th day of each month. Contributions are solicited and should be sent to the Administrator/Editor at the church office. An email reminder is sent out to all member and friends on the church's database mailing list when the newsletter has been posted to the church website, where it may be viewed or down-loaded. It is also available in paper format on the table by the sanctuary entrance and by US mail (request from the Church Office).

Editorial Policy

Articles submitted for publication in the *Chalice & Chimes* must strive to include, in an unbiased way, only that information that is consistent with the UU faith. Articles should deal with issues of a spiritual nature meant to inspire, encourage, educate, or inform. Although every effort will be made to be inclusive, the Editor reserves the right to determine which articles are accepted for publication. The Editor has the right to edit for space, availability, libelous remarks, or unwarranted personal attacks. The Editor also reserves the right to refuse any item that may affect our Tax Exempt Status.